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REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL OF AN INSTITUTE,
ACADEMY OF MEDICAL SCIENCES USSR

The following regulations were approved by the Presidium, Academy of Medical Sciences on February 1945.

The Scientific Council of an institute is a consulting body under the director of that institute.

The staff of a Scientific Council includes:

1. Director (chairman) of the institute
2. First deputy director
3. Heads of scientific subdivisions of the institute (doctors of medical sciences -- heads of sections, clinics, laboratories, and departments)
4. Scientific secretary
5. Scientific associates having degrees of doctor of sciences or titles of professor of sciences (selected by the Council and subsequently approved by the Presidium, Academy of Medical Sciences)
6. Active and Corresponding members of the Academy of Medical Sciences USSR (according to specialty)

Note: Active and Corresponding Members not on the staff of any given institute, can become staff members of the Council providing they are able to take part in the Council's work.

7. Highly qualified specialists of a given or allied field of science (selected by the Council and subsequently approved by the Presidium, Academy of Medical Sciences).

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8. Chiefs of a corresponding scientific agency of the People's Commissariat of Public Health USSR, or a representative who is appointed by this Commissariat.

9. Secretary of the institute's Party organization.

10. Representative of the section of scientific associates. Appointments to the Scientific Council of an institute are approved by the Presidium of the Academy of Medical Sciences on the recommendation of the director of the institute.

Functions of the Scientific Council of an institute include:

1. Discussion and examination of problematic and thematic plans and reports on completed works.

2. Discussion and evaluation of the quality of work of scientific divisions, laboratories, and various workers of the institute.

3. Examination of plans for publication of the institute's scientific works and drawing conclusions on them; examination of questions related to the application of the institute's scientific achievements in practice.

4. Public hearing and discussion of dissertations submitted for the degrees of Candidate and Doctor of Medical Sciences, and awarding of scientific degrees and titles on the basis of existing decrees and instructions.

Note: The decision of the Council on awarding the degree of Candidate of Science and the title of Senior Scientific Associate must be approved by the Presidium, Academy of Medical Sciences; a decision on awarding the title of professor becomes official after the approval of the All-Union Commissariat of Higher Schools (VKVSH).

5. Examination and evaluation of scientific reports which are of great theoretical and practical interest.

6. Examination of outlines for doctor's and candidate's dissertations; examination of plans for training graduate students and aspirants for doctor's degrees, and hearing their reports.

7. Discussion and selection through competitive examinations of candidates for appointments in the institute; discussion and selection of candidates for membership in the Council, in accordance with preceding paragraphs 5 and 7.

8. Promotion of candidates to active and corresponding membership in the Academy of Medical Sciences.

Meetings of the Scientific Council are held at least once a month.

Council members who, without a valid reason, do not participate actively in the work of the Council for a 3-month period, are automatically released from the staff. The director of the institute reports such cases to the Presidium, Academy of Medical Sciences.

Results of the institute's scientific activity for the past year are discussed at special annual sessions of the Scientific Council, which convene at the end of the year.

Decisions of the Council become effective after they are approved by the director of the institute.

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